

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND 200 STOVALL STREET ALEXANDRIA VA 22332-0400

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Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment

Battery A, 2d Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment

Battery B, 2d Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment

Company G, 2d Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 10 October 2006 to 8 January 2008

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

Reason: During the period 10 October 2006 to 8 January 2008, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit performed above and beyond the call of duty furthering Iraq's self reliance while improving the security and quality of life of the local population. In addition, the unit maintained an operational readiness rate of over 95% and reenlisted almost one third of their personnel by their fifth deployed month. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit and the United States Army.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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